

Notice of Allowability

Application No.

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Examiner

Glenn Zimmerman

Applicant(s)

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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to February 22, 2005.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-6,8-13,20,21,23-26 and 28-30.
3. ☒ The drawings filed on 22 February 2005 are accepted by the Examiner.
4. ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
 1. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
 - * Certified copies not received: _____.

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5. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
 6. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
 - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
7. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

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| 1. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 5. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152) |
| 2. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) | 6. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413),
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| 3. <input type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08),
Paper No./Mail Date _____ | 7. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Amendment/Comment |
| 4. <input type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit
of Biological Material | 8. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance |
| | 9. <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |

DETAILED ACTION

Response to Amendment

Amendment, filed on February 22, 2005, has been entered and acknowledged by the examiner.

Drawings

The proposed drawing correction and/or the proposed substitute sheets of drawings, filed on February 22, 2005 have been approved.

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it **MUST** be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with David B. Hardy on March 25, 2005.

The application has been amended as follows:

Please cancel claims 14-19, as these are nonelected claims.

In claim 25 lines 1, please change "claim 1" to - - claim 20 - -.

In claim 26 lines 1, please change "claim 1" to - - claim 20 - -.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 1-6, 8-13, 20, 21, 23-26 and 28-30 are allowed.

Regarding claim 1, the following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: The prior art of record neither shows nor suggests an organic electroluminescence device including the combination of all the limitations as set forth in claim 1, and specifically a plurality of recesses on the second substrate for respectively receiving a plurality of desiccant films; and a plurality of cell gap maintaining structures located between the first substrate and the second substrate within the seal pattern and arranged alternately with the plurality of desiccant films could not be found elsewhere in prior art.

Regarding claims 2-6 and 8-10, claims 2-6 and 8-10 are allowed for the reasons given in claim 1, because of their dependency status on claim 1.

Regarding claim 11, the following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: The prior art of record neither shows nor suggests an organic electroluminescence device including the combination of all the limitations as set forth in claim 11, and specifically a plurality of recesses on the encapsulating substrate for respectively receiving a plurality of desiccant films; and a plurality of cell gap maintaining structures located between the organic light emitting substrate and the encapsulating substrate and arranged alternately with the plurality of recesses could not be found elsewhere in prior art.

Regarding claims 12 and 13, claims 12 and 13 are allowed for the reasons given in claim 11, because of their dependency status on claim 11.

Regarding claim 20, the following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: The prior art of record neither shows nor suggests an organic electroluminescence device including the combination of all the limitations as set forth in claim 20, and specifically a plurality of recesses on the second substrate for respectively receiving a plurality of desiccant films; and means for maintaining a cell gap located between the first substrate and the second substrate within the seal pattern and arranged alternately with the plurality of recesses could not be found elsewhere in prior art.

Regarding claims 21, 23-26 and 28-30, claims 21, 23-26 and 28-30 are allowed for the reasons given in claim 20, because of their dependency status on claim 20.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Glenn Zimmerman whose telephone number is (571) 272-2466. The examiner can normally be reached on M-W 8-5.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Nimesh D. Patel can be reached on (571) 272-2457. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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